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E.O. 11652: N/A  
SUBJECT: POPPY STRAW SALES AND STORAGE

REF: DEA 16137 (DTG 061730Z JUN 78)

1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION SUBMITTED AS AN ANSWER TO REQUEST  
IN REFTEL.

2. POPPY STRAW ON HAND FROM 1975/76 CROP: 4,500 TONS  
POPPY STRAW PRODUCTION, 1976/77: 36,000 TONS  
STRAW SOLD IN 1978 (MOST OF WHICH  
HAS BEEN SHIPPED): 10,000 TONS  
PENDING SALES: (TO HUNGARY IN 1,500 TONS  
A BARTER FOR OPIATES FOR TURKISH  
PHARMACEUTICAL REQUIREMENTS)  
OPTION ON 10,000 TONS DUTCH/AMERICAN  
PURCHASE MADE IN 1978: 1,000 TONS  
POPPY STRAW REMAINING IN  
STORAGE: 30,500 TONS

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3. NEARLY ALL OF THE POPPY STRAW REMAINING (4,500  
TONS FROM THE 1975/76 CROP AND 26,000 TONS FROM THE 1976/77  
CROP) IS STORED INSIDE. THE REMAINDER IS OUTSIDE ON WOODEN  
PALLETS AND WELL COVERED.

4. 1977/78 PRODUCTION WILL PROBABLY BE AROUND 30,000  
TONS. MOST OF THIS CROP MAY BE STORED OUTSIDE. MEASURED

AREA IN 1977/78 IS APPROXIMATELY 50,000 HECTARES (INCLUDING SPRING PLANTING), AND THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 275,000 LICENSED FARMERS.

5. CONSTRUCTION NEARING COMPLETION ON ALKALOID PLANT AT BOLVADIN, TURKEY. INITIAL OPERATION SLATED FOR EARLY 1979.  
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